

2025 Executive Director Report

One of the roles of the Executive Director is to carry out the administrative support of the RMLL on behalf of the Executive. Although a volunteer position, this role is a full-time job for all twelve months of the year.

The 2025 Season was a busy season. In 2025 we added two new teams, the Lakeland Heat (Sr. C) and the Parkland Posse (Sr. C) but unfortunately due to a lack of players lost the Southern Alberta Rockies (Tier I). With the addition of 2 teams and the loss of one team, we ended up with 59 teams which was an increase of one team over 2024. Of the 59 RMLL teams, 4 teams are from outside of Alberta.

There were 1,574 players registered at the end of the season to the 59 teams, which included 4 out-of-province teams. Thirty more players than in 2019 where we had 65 teams.

Promotion

The Graduating U17 "welcome" documents were posted to the RMLL website, and the links e-mailed out on December 24, 2024.

We held a North and a South in-person Graduating U17 Information Session: GELC and Wheatland – Jan. 3, 2025 CDLA, CALL and SALA – Jan. 10, 2025

Once again, the RMLL held our North and South Junior Combines. Online Registration was used again for both Combines. The North Combine was held on Saturday, January 25 at Servus Place in St. Albert. Forty players registered, of which five were goalies. The South Combine was once again held at the Scotiabank Saddledome on January 18. Eighty-one players registered, of which eleven were goalies. The South Combine was restricted to 80 players and 12 goalies.

Development

The RMLL Super Coaching Clinic was held on April 11, 12 and 13 at the Okotoks Recreation Centre. Twenty-five coaches registered for the Clinic, of which twelve attended for further information and PD Points and thirteen for their Competitive Introduction Course. Coaches attending for PD Points received 11 points. The RMLL paid for the accommodations for twelve coaches attending the Clinic who resided a hundred or more kms outside of Okotoks.

Junior B Tier II Development Program (Development Analysis)

In keeping with one of the RMLL objectives to develop the skills of Junior players, so if they wish, they can move from Tier II, to Tier I to Jr. A over their 5 years in Junior, in 2024 we

implemented a Tier II Development Program similar to the U13 GAP Analysis. Once again, the ALA Technical Director attended the Crossover weekend and evaluated all 16 Tier II teams.

Referee Mentorship/Evaluation

The sixteen (16) games in the Tier II Crossover Weekend were also used for the RMLL Mentorship/Evaluation Program.

Drafts and XX Man Protected Lists

<u>Senior B</u> – The North Draft was held on February 5 and South Draft on February 6. Protected List of 50 players drops to 40 by April 15.

Junior A - The Drafts were held on February 3.

Protected List of 60 players drops to 50 by the second Sunday in April.

<u>Junior B Tier I</u> – The Rampage and Mavericks Draft was held on Feb. 5, the North Draft was held on February 7, and the South Draft was held on February 6 and Lethbridge Draft was held on Feb. 9.

Protected List of 45 players drops to 35 by April 11.

<u>Major Female</u> – The Cardinals, Raiders and Silvertips Draft was held on February 2. Protected List of 40 players drops to 35 by April 6.

RMLL Intent-to-Play - AB Players

	RAMP	RAMP	RAMP	# of 2025	Player	Player	Registered	Unassigned
	Registered	Registered	Registered	AB Teams	Difference	Difference	2025 Team	2025
	15-Jul-19	15-Jul-24	15-Jul-25		2025 vs 2024	2025 vs 2019	End of Season	End of Season
Jr. Male	814	858	798	30	-60	-16	744	55
Major Jr. Female	164	180	197	7	17	33	185	11
Sr. Male	438	458	521	16	63	83	502	19
Major Sr. Female	97	55	54	2	-1	-43	53	
Total	1513	1551	1570	55	19	57	1484	85

	# of 2019 AB Teams	# of 2025 AB Teams	Registered 2019 Team	Registered 2025 Team	Player Difference
			End of Season	End of Season	2025 vs 2019
Jr. Male	34	30	767	744	-23
Major Jr. Female	6	7	156	185	29
Sr. Male	14	16	408	502	94
Major Sr. Female	5	2	92	53	-39
Total	59	55	1423	1484	61

AB Bench Personnel and Managers

On the 55 AB RMLL Teams:

Coaches – There were 245 coaches registered to the 55 AB teams of which 23 were listed to more than one team. 222 RMLL coaches.

Trainers – There were 78 trainers registered to the 55 AB teams of which 12 were registered to more than one team. 66 RMLL Trainers.

Managers – There were 63 managers registered to the 55 AB teams of which 2 were registered to more than one team. 61 RMLL Managers.

2025 Schedules

The 2025 RMLL schedule with 458 Regular Season games was posted on April 14, 2025.

20 Exhibition Games

458 Regular Season games (includes the games scheduled in SK & MB)

65 Playoff games (includes games in SK & MB)

47 Provincial games

16 cancelled games (playoff games not required)

RMLL Annual Contracts

Contracts included Hartzler Enterprises for bookkeeping, SportzSoft for the RMLL System and website and the City of Calgary for the RMLL arena.

Ongoing Administration

Ongoing administration included such activities as Overage Exemption Requests, New Team Franchise Requests, Tier Change Requests, Franchise Transfer Requests, scheduling constraints, rosters and bench personnel, Division transactions, Sr. B Jr. A Jr. B Tier I and Major Female XX Player Protected Lists, game changes, reports, invoicing and collections, monthly financial reporting, annual budgets, bond tracking, Regulation and Bylaw revisions, management reports, coach certification verification etc.

Website & Stats

Completed Enhancements

Updated stats ranking calculation to "also" sum stats for a player associated with multiple teams within a season.

Added Games Played listing to the existing player stats dialog to have a log of each game played.

Changed player stats layout to a tabbed presentation with the overall stats always visible on left – the tabs would be Goals, Penalties and Games Played

Provided prev/next buttons on the player stat dialog to allow moving thru the underlying listing of players instead of going in / out.

Provided a custom layout for goalie stats as they have more stats to fit horizontally on the popup dialog. A tab presentation would exist here as well with tabs Stats Summary, Goals & Assists, Penalties and Games Played.

Added property to a penalty to flag it as a "Team Penalty" and to not accrue penalty minutes on players who serve this penalty. (for in-homes)

Planning For 2026 Season

Planning for the 2026 Season started with the two-day Executive Planning Session in October. In 2026 we will be continuing with programs for promotion, retention and development of coaches, players, and officials.

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